FY 2011 Capital Budget TPS Report 54642v1

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development** 

**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)** 

**Grant Recipient: Sitka** 

Project Title: Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades

# Sitka - Crescent Harbor Sidewalk Widening

State Funding Requested: \$1,000,000 House District: 2 / A

One-Time Need

# **Brief Project Description:**

Funding covers the planning and design for improvements to visitor facilities serving cruise ship passengers at both Sitka lightering facilities at Crescent Harbor and O'Connell Bridge.

**Funding Plan:** 

**Total Cost of Project:** \$1,000,000

There is no other funding needed

### **Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Funding covers the planning and design for improvements to visitor facilities serving cruise ship passengers at both Sitka lightering facilities at Crescent Harbor and O'Connell Bridge. The project is part of the Visitor Facilities Improvement Plan and will widen the sidewalk from the lightering float in Crescent Harbor to Lincoln Street. This project will also improve the Crescent Harbor park area sidewalk to provide a safer and more accessible connection to the Sea Walk Extension and Sitka National Historical Park.

Project entails two primary components: widening and improvements to the sidewalk along the Crescent Harbor parking lot from the lightering facility near the entrance to Crescent Harbor to Lincoln Street and sidewalk improvements along the entire length of the walkway on the water side of the Crescent Harbor Park "green strip". As funding is available, the City and Borough of Sitka will continue preliminary and final design, environmental/permitting, public process and approvals.

Fully funding both Sitka walkway projects this year will greatly expedite design and permitting of a comprehensive package which can best meet the needs of Sitka's hundreds of thousands of cruise ship visitors as soon as possible.

#### **Project Timeline:**

FY 2011

# **Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

City & Borough of Sitka

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? X Yes No

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### FY2011 CBS LEGISLATIVE CAPITAL PROJECT REQUEST

Project Title: SITKA COMMERCIAL PASSENGER VESSEL AND VISITOR FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS – Sitka- Crescent Harbor Sidewalk Widening and Improvements

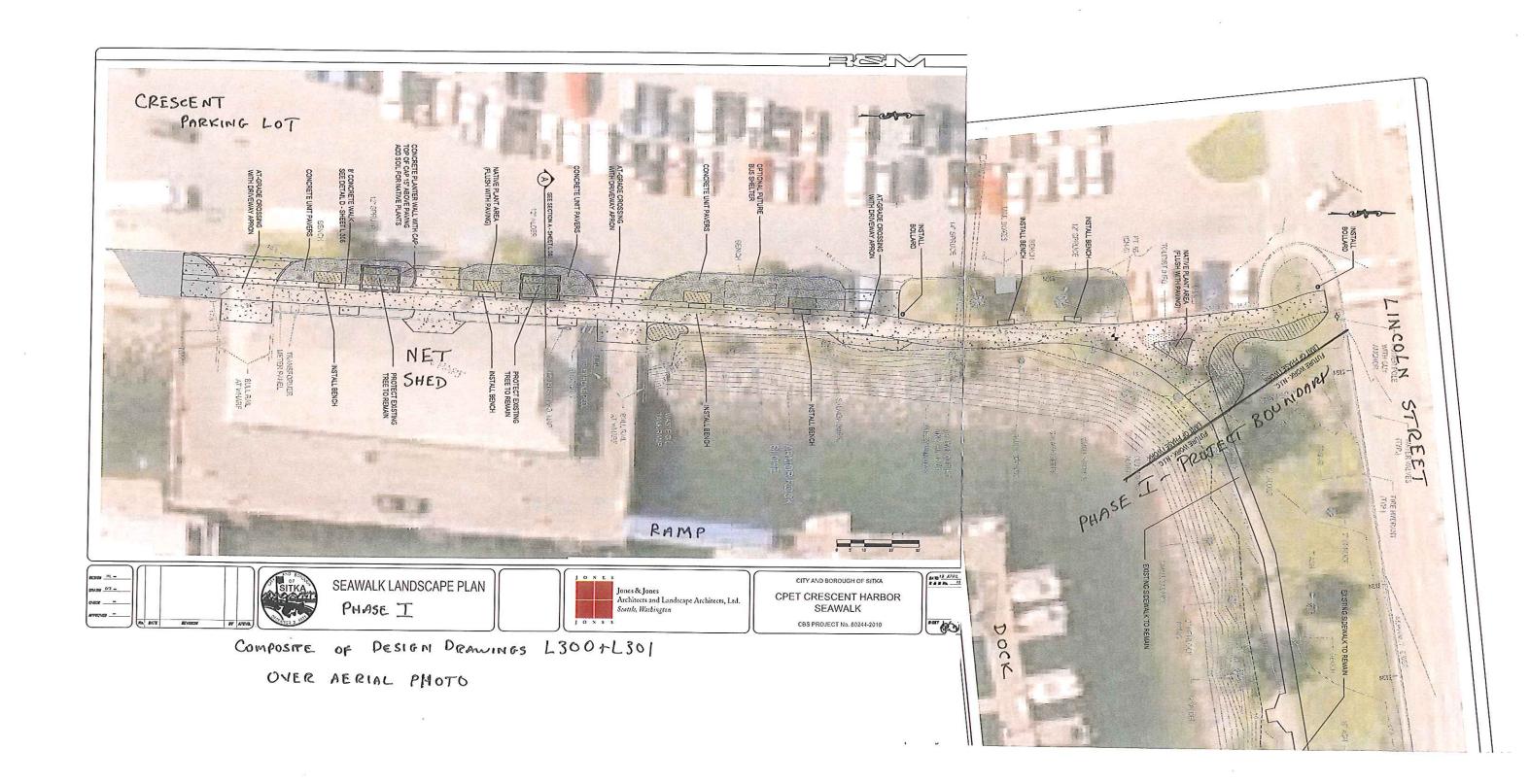
**Total Project Cost:** \$1,000,000 (100%)

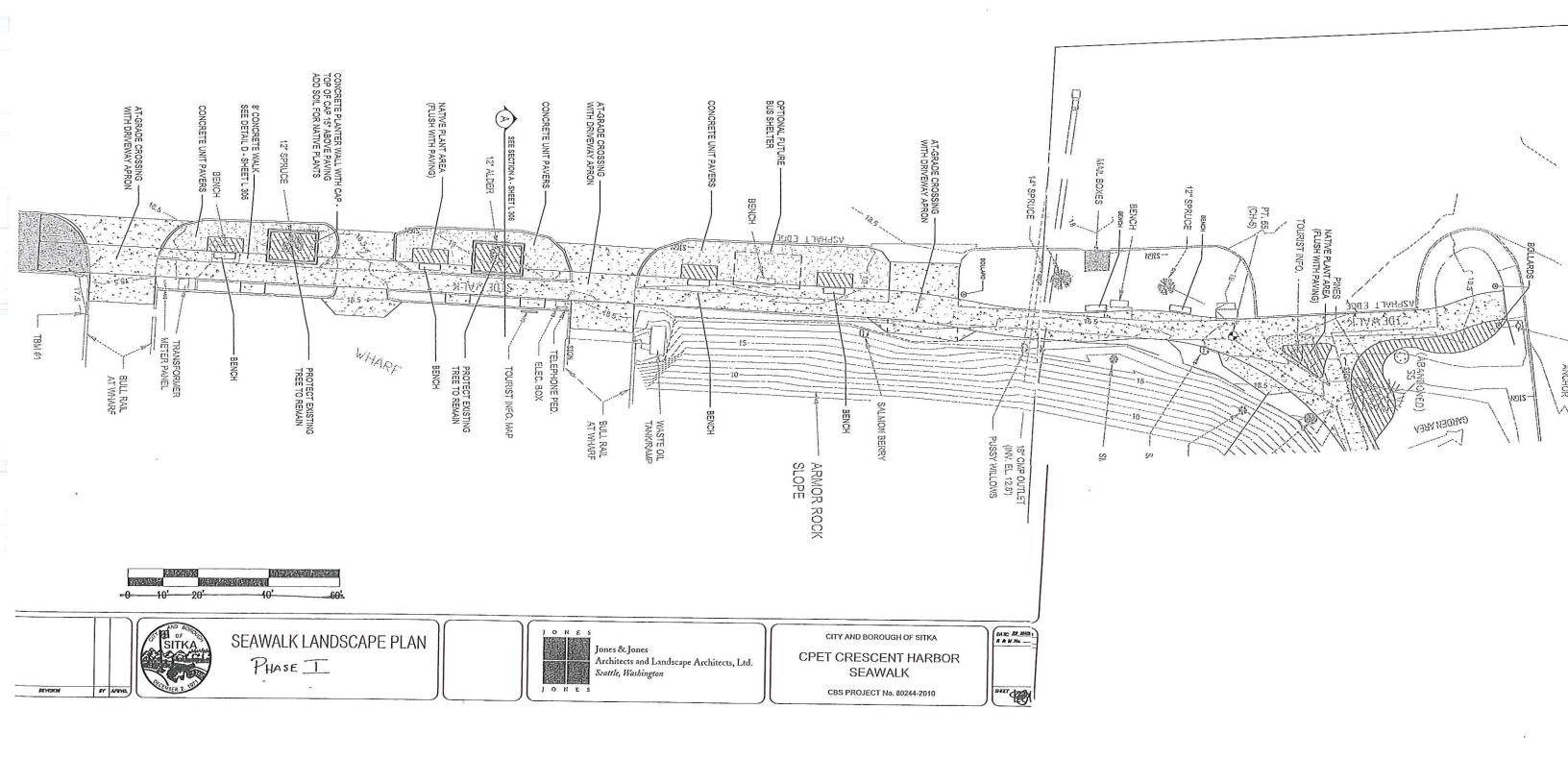
Funding already secured: \$ 0
FY 2009 State Funding Request: \$1,000,000
Additional Funding Required: \$ 0
City and Borough of Sitka Federal Tax ID Number: 92-0041163

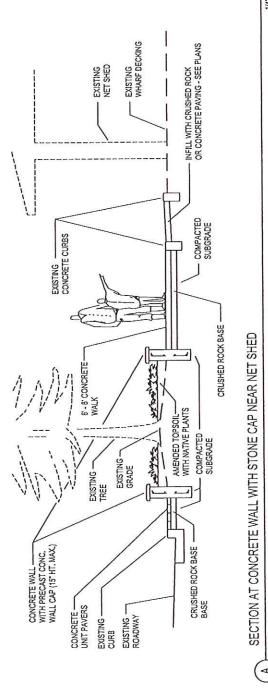
This project is part of the planning study currently underway for improvements to visitor facilities serving cruise ship passengers disembarking and embarking at both Sitka lightering facilities, Crescent Harbor and O'Connell Bridge, since Sitka has no cruise ship docking facilities for large vessels. This project is one component of the Visitor Facilities Improvement Plan. The Crescent Harbor Sidewalk Widening and Improvements Project will widen the sidewalk from the lightering float in Crescent Harbor to Lincoln Street (Sitka's main street). This project will also improve the Crescent Harbor park area sidewalk which connects to the lightering facility sidewalk to provide a safer and more accessible connection to Sea Walk Extension Part B: Crescent Park area to the Sitka National Historical Park.

There are two primary components of this project: widening and improvements to the sidewalk along the Crescent Harbor parking lot from the lightering facility near the entrance to Crescent Harbor to Lincoln Street and sidewalk improvements along the entire length of the walkway on the water side of the Crescent Harbor Park "green strip". If sufficient funding is available, a third component will be connecting to the Seawalk Extension Part B – Crescent Park Area to the Sitka National Historical Park, a separately requested Commercial Passenger Vessel and Visitor Facilities Improvements project. Visitors arriving at the O'Connell Bridge Lightering Facility will also be able to connect to Centennial Hall and Crescent Harbor walkway via the Sea Walk Extension Part A: O'Connell Lightering Facility to Harbor Way project when this project moves forward.

When funding becomes available, the City and Borough of Sitka will proceed with preliminary and final design, environmental/permitting, public process and approvals. Therefore the design for the Crescent Harbor Sidewalk Widening and Improvements Project is preliminary at this time. It would be preferable and more cost effective due to the need to make these improvements, as well as the relatively higher cost of smaller projects, to design and construct these various visitor facilities improvements in a coordinated manner. Therefore, fully funding these walkway projects this year will greatly expedite design and permitting of a comprehensive package which can best meet the needs of Sitka's hundreds of thousands of cruise ship visitors as soon as possible.







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SEAWALK LANDSCAPE PLAN

Jones & Jones Architects and Landscape Architects, Ltd. Scattle, Washington

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# **Shoreline Character District**

# Implementation Projects:

- 1. Sea Walk Extension, Part A: Crescent Harbor parking lot to Tennis court, Tier 1
- 2. Comprehensive Directional Signage, Tier 1
- 3. Specific Interpretive Signage, Tier 1
- 4. Sea Walk, Extension, Part A, Tier 2
- 5. Sea Walk, Extension, Part D, Tier 2
- 11. Disembarkation Zone A, Crescent Harbor near Dock, Tier 2
- 12. New Visitor's Center at Crescent Harbor (see option study), Tier 2
- 13. Sea Walk, Extension, Part B, Tier 2
- 14. Crescent Park Restroom Expansion, Tier 2
- 15. Covered Seating, at strategic points in each District, Tier 2
- 16. O'Connell Restroom Expansion, Tier 2
- 17. Disembarkation Zone B, O'Connell near Lighter Dock, Tier 2
- 23. Salmon View Deck, near SSSC, Tier 3
- 25. Walking Route to Raptor Center, Tier 3
- 26. Landscape and Playground Improvements, Tier 3
- 27. Breakwater Boardwalks, Tier 3

# Diagram Key:

Heavy Traffic (existing)

Pedestrian Connections (existing)

Node (existing red, proposed yellow)

Water Trail (existing)

Short Pedestrian Loop (proposed)

Sea Walk (proposed)

Implementation Project (tier 1)



Informational Signage

Implementation Project (tier 2)



Comprehensive Signage



**Covered Seating** 

